



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Masayuki Tsuchiya et al.      Art Unit : 1652  
Serial No. : 09/830,144      Examiner : Sheridan L. Swope  
Filed : April 20, 2001  
Title : METHOD FOR SCREENING COMPOUNDS INHIBITING SIGNAL  
TRANSDUCTION THROUGH INFLAMMATORY CYTOKINES

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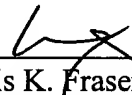
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Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the action dated June 15, 2004, be extended for two months to and including October 15, 2004.

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